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## Introductory Remarks

Sir:

This amendment and a request for a one-month extension of time are submitted in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed August 7, 2006. This Amendment is due on Thursday, December 7, 2006, with a one-month extension of time. Entry of the following remarks and reconsideration of the claimed subject matter are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

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I hereby certify that this paper and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date written below in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number ED451929731US addressed to the Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 23313-1450.

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